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In re application of

Takahiro OSHITA et al.

Serial No. 09/180,601

Filed November 10, 1998

Attn: Accounting Division  
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Attorney Docket No. 01213/GEB667  
Confirmation No. 6970

FLUIDIZED-BED GASIFICATION  
METHOD AND APPARATUS

REQUEST FOR REFUND

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE  
FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT  
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

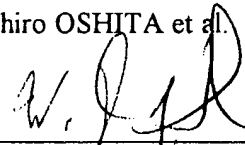
Applicants respectfully request a 100% refund of the PTO additional independent claims fee of \$80.00 charged on May 21, 2002, i.e. \$80.00. In the Additional Claims Fee Transmittal Letter submitted to the PTO May 20, 2002 (copies enclosed), Applicants noted that an additional claims fee of \$80.00 was submitted in error with the submission of the RCE on August 31, 2001. It was respectfully requested at that time that the PTO apply the \$80.00 fee submitted in error on August 31, 2001 to this Amendment. Therefore, this additional claims fee inadvertently paid on August 31, 2001 should apply toward the charge of May 5, 2002. Thus, the charge to Deposit Account No. 23-0975 on May 21, 2002 was improper and should be refunded. Please note that due to fee increases effective October 1, 2001, the independent claims fee changed to \$84.00. The remaining \$4.00 was paid on May 20, 2002.

Kindly refund the \$80.00 charge of May 21, 2002 to the deposit account of undersigned,  
no. 23-0975.

Respectfully submitted,

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PATENT OFFICE FEE TRANSMITTAL FORM

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Sir:

Attached hereto is a check in the amount of \$924.00 to cover Patent Office fees relating to filing the following attached papers:

Petition for Extension of Time ..... \$920.00

Other: Additional Claims Fee Transmittal Letter ..... \$ 4.00  
[for 1 additional independent claim - special situation]

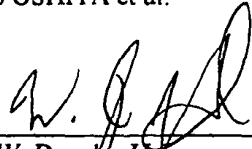
A duplicate copy of this paper is being submitted for use in the Accounting Division, Office of Finance.

*The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or to credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-0975, with the EXCEPTION of deficiencies in fees for multiple dependent claims in new applications.*

Respectfully submitted,

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**ADDITIONAL CLAIMS FEE TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Sir:

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. Additional fees required as a result of this Amendment are calculated as follows:

		SMALL ENTITY		LARGE ENTITY
Total Claims exceeding 20 (not already paid for):	x	(\$ 9 = \$)	or	(\$18 = \$)
Indep. Claims exceeding 3 (not already paid for):	1 x	(\$42 = \$)	or	(\$84 = \$84)
<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Dep. Claim(s) (if there previously were none):	+	(\$140 = \$)	or	(\$280 = \$)
Total Additional Fee =		\$	or	<u>\$84.00</u>

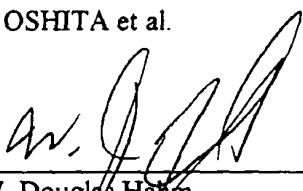
[X] A check in the amount of \$4.00 is enclosed.

An additional claims fee (of \$80.00) was submitted in error with the submission of an RCE on August 31, 2002. It is respectfully requested that the PTO apply that \$80.00 for 1 additional independent claim fee submitted on August 31, 2002 to this Amendment. Thus, due to the increase in PTO fees as of October 1, 2001, the fee for 1 additional independent claim as a result of this Amendment is \$4.00.

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